



Virginia Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Ministerium Covenant

As the Ministerium of the Virginia Synod, ELCA, we are rooted in the Gospel, affirm and cherish our call to Word and Sacrament and Service, and honor one another.

As a community of rostered ministers we covenant with each other to:

- **Support** and care for one another
- **View** our ministry as part of the wider church
- **Care** for family and self in healthy ways
- **Engage** in professional development (such as continuing education, consultation, professional development)
- **Meet** often with other rostered ministers for prayer, scripture study, fellowship, and support
- **Live** and serve in accordance with Vision and Expectations
- **Review** and renew this covenant each year

Values:

- **Opened** to the Holy Spirit
- **Centered** in Christ Jesus
- **Grounded** in Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions
- **Valued** places of ministry and our giftedness
- **Energized** proclaimers of the Gospel
- **Commissioned** to witness to Christ, reconcile people to God, and transform the world